



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 5549***

LCO No. 452

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Referred to Committee on Education

Introduced by:  
(ED)

***AN ACT CONCERNING CERTIFICATION OF MARITAL AND FAMILY THERAPISTS EMPLOYED IN SCHOOLS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2007*) No later than July 1, 2007,  
2       the State Board of Education shall certify marital and family therapists  
3       employed by local or regional boards of education. On or before April  
4       1, 2007, the State Board of Education, in consultation with the  
5       Commissioner of Public Health, shall adopt regulations, in accordance  
6       with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to provide  
7       standards for the certification of marital and family therapists who are  
8       employed by local or regional boards of education. Such regulations  
9       shall (1) include certification requirements to be met by either (A)  
10      completion of a prescribed course of study, or (B) such other  
11      experience as the State Board of Education deems appropriate for the  
12      position of marital and family therapist, and (2) contain standards to  
13      certify individuals who are certified by another state that has  
14      requirements equal to or greater than the requirements in this state.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
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***Statement of Purpose:***

To provide for certification of marital and family therapists employed by local or regional boards of education.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*